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SUBJECT: NEW ICELANDIC DEPUTY PERMREP

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1. ICELANDIC NATO DELEGATION HAS ANNOUNCED THAT HANNES HAFSTEIN HAS BEEN NAMED NEW ICELANDIC DEPUTY PERMREP, WITH RANK OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO ASSUME DUTIES AUGUST 19. MISSION WOULD APPRECIATED ANY AVAILABLE BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION AND IMPRESSIONS EMBASSY REYKJAVIK CAN FURNISH.

2. ACCORDING TO SAME ANNOUNCEMENT, OLAFUR EGILSSON, PRESENT DEPUTY PERMREP, HAS BEEN REASSIGNED TO ICELANDIC FOREIGN MINISTRY. HE DEPARTED BRUSSELS IN MID AUGUST. IN REFTEL, AMEMBASSY REYKJAVIK PROVIDED USEFUL BIOGRAPHIC SUMMARY ON EGILSSON. WHILE AT NATO, HIS CONCENTRATION LIKE THAT OF ANY ICELANDIC REPRESENTATIVE HERE WAS PERFORCE SPREAD VERY THIN. AS THE ONLY ASSISTANT TO AMBASSADOR TOMASSON, HE HAD TO COVER DOZENS OF NATO COMMITTEES AS WELL AS THE COMMON MARKET AND ICELANDIC BILATERAL AFFAIRS IN BELGIUM. IN FACT, EGILSSON, WHO STANDS ABOUT SIX FEET SIX INCHES AND IS AS THIN AS A STRAW, HAS BEEN QUITE ILL SINCE LATE SPRING. AFTER EXHAUSTIVE TESTS, DOCTORES CONCLUDED HE WAS SIMPLY OVERWORKED AND IN NEED OF A REST. HIS TRANSFER WAS SCHEDULED BEFORE HIS ILLNESS HOWEVER, AND HIS CONDITION HAS RECENTLY IMPROVED. CONFIDENTIAL

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3. THE EGILSSONS, AFTER FIVE YEARS IN PARIS AND BRUSSELS, SAY THEY ARE ANXIOUS TO RETURN TO REYKJAVIK PRIMARILY BECAUSE THEY WANT THEIR EARLY TEENAGED CHILDREN TO ATTEND SECONDARY SCHOOL AT HOME. THEY ARE A VERY ATTRACTIVE COUPLE, CAPABLE

OF DISCUSSING ICELANDIC AFFAIRS IN WORLDWIDE PERSPECTIVE.
BOTH SPEAK IMPECCABLE ENGLISH. EGILSSON HAS BEEN HELPFUL TO
MISSION ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS AND WE CONSIDER HIM PRO-AMERICAN
AND PRO-IDF. MCAULIFFE

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